

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 SINGAP 01594 190926Z

15

ACTION EA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 IO-10 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-02

INR-07 L-02 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15

USIA-15 AID-05 OMB-01 FDRE-00 SR-02 ORM-01 /084 W

----- 090053

R 190817Z APR 75

FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2361

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

AMEMBASSY MANILA

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

UNCLAS SINGAPORE 1594

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, SN, CB

SUBJECT: SINGAPORE ANNOUNCES THAT ASEAN GOVERNMENTS RECOGNIZE
GRUNK

1. SUMMARY: THE GOS ANNOUNCED APRIL 18 THAT THE FIVE ASEAN
GOVERNMENTS HAD RECOGNIZED GRUNK. THE KHMER AMBASSADOR TO SIN-
GAPORE HAS DECLARED HIS WHOLE-HEARTED SUPPORT FOR GRUNK. END
SUMMARY.

2. ON APRIL 18 THE GOS ANNOUNCED THAT THE FIVE ASEAN GOVERNMENTS
HAD RECOGNIZED GRUNK. THE JOINT ASEAN ANNOUNCEMENT STATED THAT
THE ASEAN COUNTRIES (QUOTE) AGREED TO RECOGNIZE THE ROYAL GOVERN-
MENT OF THE NATIONAL UNION OF KAMPUCHEA AS THE SOLE AND LEGAL
GOVERNMENT OF CAMBODIA (UNQUOTE). ASEAN COUNTRIES ALSO OFFERED
TO QUOTE: EXTEND COOPERATION TOWARDS THE RELIEF OF HARDSHIP
AND FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION OF CAMBODIA.

UNQUOTE.

2. MEANWHILE, STRAIT TIMES REPORTED THAT KHMER AMBASSADOR TO
SINGAPORE DR. WONGSANITH ANNOUNCED HIS SUPPORT FOR GRUNK AND
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 SINGAP 01594 190926Z

ORDERED THAT THE OFFICIAL DOOR PLAQUE AT HIS RESIDENCE BE

REPLACED WITH A PLAQUE READING "ROYAL EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA"
WHICH HAD BEEN STORED IN MOTHBALLS SINCE THE OVERTHROW OF SIHANOUK.
ACCORDING TO WONGSANITH (QUOTE): THE EMBASSY OF THE KHMER RE-
PUBLIC IN SINGAPORE CEASED TO REPRESENT THE LON NOL REGIME AS
FROM THE MORNING OF APRIL 17, 1975 --WHEN PHNOM PENH SURRENDERED
TO THE NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMED FORCES OF KAMPUCHEA AND JOINED
IN THE VICTORY OF THE FORCES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION AND THE
WHOLE KHMER PEOPLE. WE HAVE CONVEYED OUR WARMEST CONGRATATIONS
AND OFFERED OUR FULL COOPERATION TO THE GRUNK BY CABLE ADDRESSED
TO SAMDACH NORODOM SIHANOUK UNQUOTE.

3. AMBASSADOR WONGSANITH STATED AT PRESS CONFERENCE APRIL 18
THAT HE AND HIS STAFF QUOTE: WHOLE-HEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE
NEW REGIME (UNQUOTE). HE NOTED THAT HE HAD NOT SERVED THE LON
NOL GOVERNMENT WHOLEHEARTEDLY AND THAT HE CONSIDERED SIHANOUK
TO BE HIS QUOTE: BENEFACTOR AND SAVIOR UNQUOTE. WONGSANITH EX-
PLAINED THAT SIHANOUK HAD PERFORMED A PERSONAL FAVOR ON HIS
BEHALF IN 1950.

4. WONGSANITH STATED THAT HE WOULD REMAIN IN SINGAPORE AS A
QUOTE: GUEST OF THE SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT UNQUOTE. PENDING DIRECT
INSTRUCTIONS FROM GRUNK ON HIS STATUS IN SINGAPORE.

CRONK

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: RECOGNITION, GOVERNMENT IN EXILE
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 19 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975SINGAP01594
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750138-0092
From: SINGAPORE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750434/aaaabflx.tel
Line Count: 83
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 01 JUL 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <01 JUL 2003 by SilvaL0>; APPROVED <02 FEB 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: SINGAPORE ANNOUNCES THAT ASEAN GOVERNMENTS RECOGNIZE GRUNK
TAGS: PFOR, PDIP, SN, CB, ASEAN, GRUNK
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006